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LIVING THE DREAM THROUGH ARTS

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Welcome

MATT KELLY

PRINCIPAL,

DRW COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL

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Opening Remarks

RODNEY BROWN

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Event Host Introduction

VALERIE F. LEONARD

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Event Host

REV. ALBERT D. TYSON, III
PRESIDING ELDER,
NORTH DISTRICT, CHICAGO CONFERENCE
AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Event Overview

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Objectives for Today

- **Community-wide discussion about the future of North Lawndale**
- **Prioritize challenges facing the community**
- **Create a framework to shape the new Neighborhood Plan**

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Today's Schedule

- 11:00-1:15
- **Opening Remarks**
 - **NLCCC Overview**
 - **Neighborhood Plan Project Background**
 - **Challenges & Opportunities Workshop**

1:15-1:40

*Comfort Break:
DRW Honors Choirs!
Movie Preview: The Rhythm & the Blues*

- 1:40-3:00
- **Quality of Life Sector Workshops
(Lunch served)**
 - **Adjourn**

Elected Officials Introduction

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Elected Officials

COMMISSIONER ROBERT STEELE

REPRESENTATIVE ARTHUR TURNER

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North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council

Who We Are

- NLCCC is a group of North Lawndale stakeholders, including:
 - Community-based organizations
 - Business owners
 - Elected officials
 - Residents
- We have come together to guide comprehensive planning and implementation in North Lawndale (Community Area 29).
- We develop innovative solutions to improve the built environment and to increase the capacity of local organizations to make a positive impact on the community.



North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council Mission

- NLCCC transforms the physical, economic, and social fiber of the community through:
 - Strategic and comprehensive planning
 - Civic engagement, and
 - Implementation of stakeholder-driven initiatives.

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North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council Vision Statement

- We envision North Lawndale as a healthy, vibrant community with a diversified and innovative economy, competitive work force, engaged citizens and infrastructure that supports long term, sustainable growth.

Our Approach

- We continually develop and execute bold community-driven solutions with the input of an engaged community that questions assumptions and challenges the status quo.

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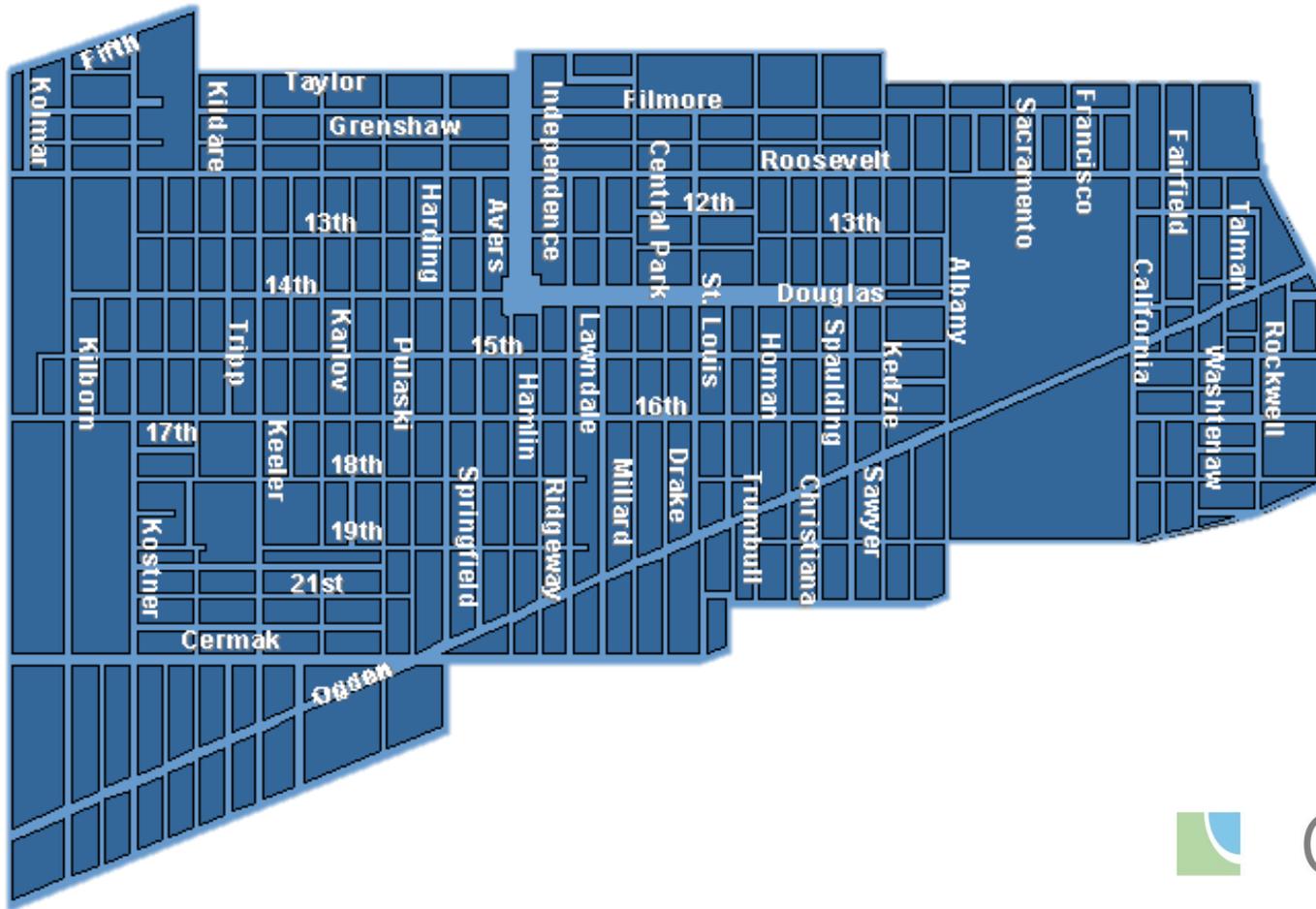


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North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council Where We Work

- North Lawndale (Community Area 29)



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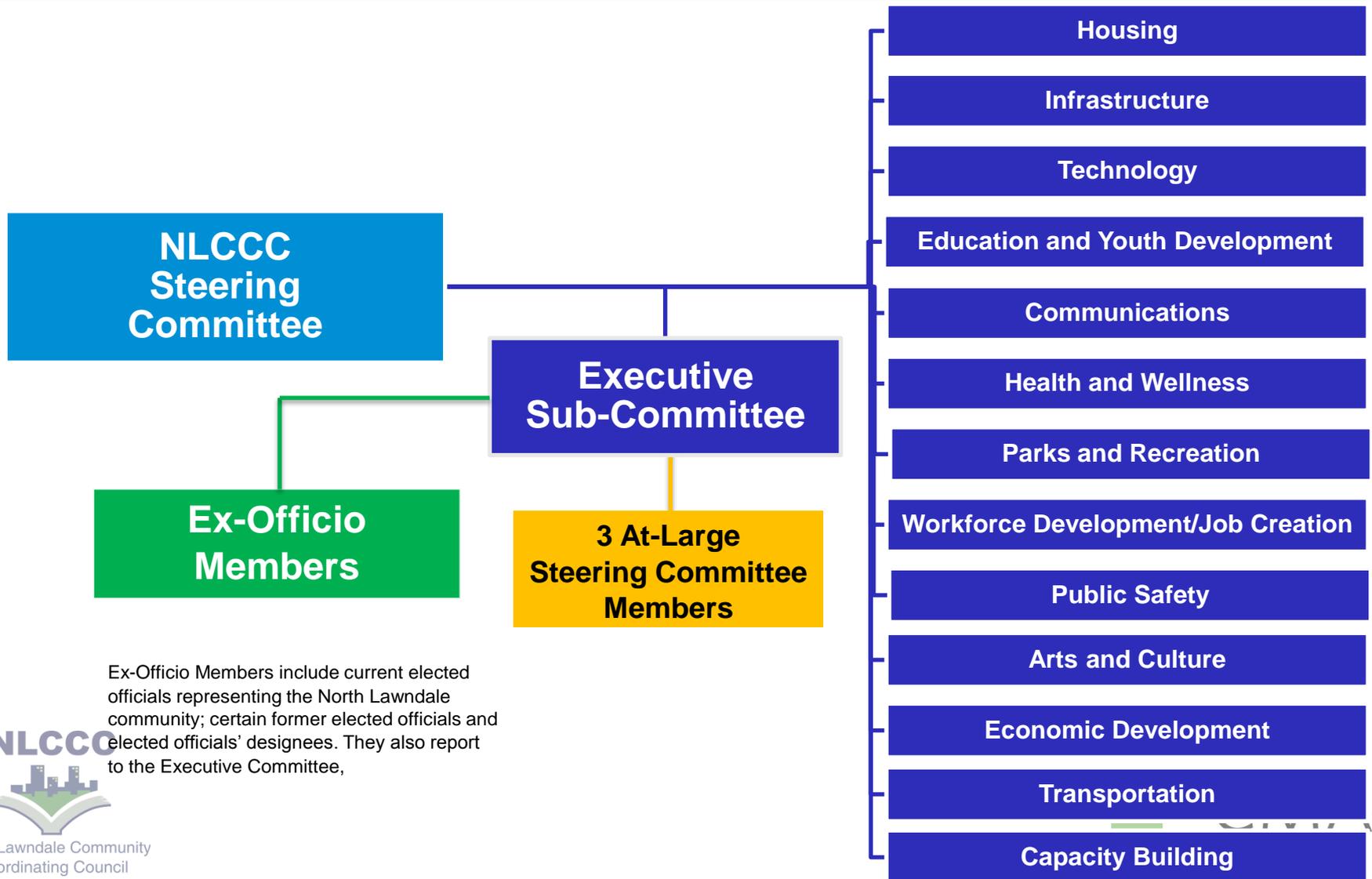
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How We Work

- Led by a Steering Committee
 - Guides strategic direction of NLCCC
 - Develops mechanisms for decision making
 - Provides a framework for comprehensive planning and related processes
 - Makes policy recommendations
- 13 Sub-Committees
 - “Nuts and Bolts” of NLCCC work
 - Organized along various Quality of Life sectors



North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council Organizational Chart



Ex-Officio Members include current elected officials representing the North Lawndale community; certain former elected officials and elected officials' designees. They also report to the Executive Committee,



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What We Do

We envision a comprehensive planning process that:

- Takes stock of all the plans
- Develops a snapshot of current conditions and capacity
- Lays a framework that will guide future development
- Establishes goals, objectives, and performance metrics to guide us towards a desired end
- Helps us diversify our economy
- Develops our local residents

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Why We Do What We Do

- WE LOVE THIS COMMUNITY
- North Lawndale has not had a comprehensive planning process in nearly 50 years.
- No entity exists to:
 - Develop guiding principles and policies
 - Coordinate development activities to maximize impact of growth
 - Ensure equitable distribution of resources throughout the community
 - Provide a sense of “place” for North Lawndale

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What Makes This Process Different?

- Participatory process that will engage rank and file residents in meaningful ways, “early and often”
- Focus on the entire community
- Include land use, utilities, transportation, and infrastructure
- Improve the built environment as well as programs, services and businesses
- Accountability to the community and stakeholders
- Transparency in our decision making

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Effect City policies that guide development



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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

- Established in 2005
- Mission:
To plan comprehensively for economic prosperity and quality of life.
- Serves the third largest metropolitan region in U.S.
 - 7 Counties
 - 284 Municipalities
 - Over 1,200 units of local government

www.cmap.illinois.gov

Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program

- Provides assistance to communities across the Chicago metropolitan region
- Supports implementation of the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan
 - Foster Livable Communities
 - Support & Leverage Human Capital
 - Promote Transparent, Efficient Governance
 - Invest in Regional Mobility

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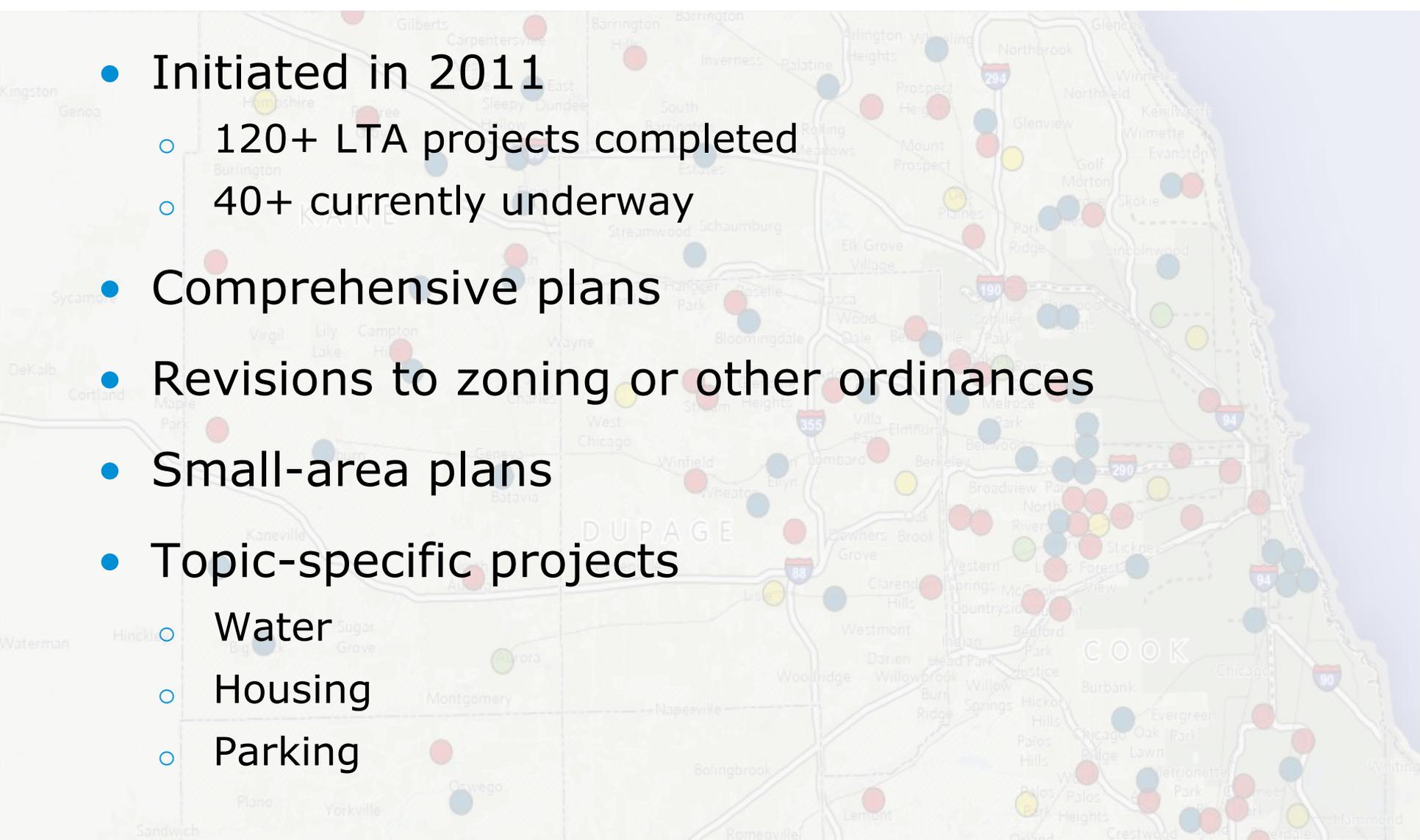


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LTA Program

Major Project Types

- Initiated in 2011
 - 120+ LTA projects completed
 - 40+ currently underway
 - Comprehensive plans
 - Revisions to zoning or other ordinances
 - Small-area plans
 - Topic-specific projects
 - Water
 - Housing
 - Parking
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- A map of the Chicago metropolitan area, including parts of Cook County, DuPage County, and Kane County, Illinois. The map is overlaid with numerous colored dots (red, blue, yellow, green) representing the locations of various LTA (Local Transportation Authority) projects. Major highways like I-94, I-190, I-294, I-55, and I-88 are visible. The map shows a high density of projects in the central and eastern parts of the region, particularly around the city of Chicago and its immediate suburbs.

What is Land Use Planning?

- Create a long-term guide for future development to achieve broader community goals
 - Answer the question: “Where should things go in our community?”
 - Residential
 - Commercial
 - Industrial
 - Community Facilities
 - Open Space
 - Planning is NOT Zoning
 - Zoning is a tool for implementing a land use plan
- Zoning provides specific rules for what is allowed (and what is not allowed)



North Lawndale Neighborhood Plan

Areas of Focus

- Focus on Land Use & Physical Environment
- Housing
 - New investment
 - Repurposing vacant lots
- Commercial Areas
 - Ogden Avenue
 - Roosevelt Road
 - 16th Street
- Transit-Oriented Development
 - Pink Line
- Economic Development

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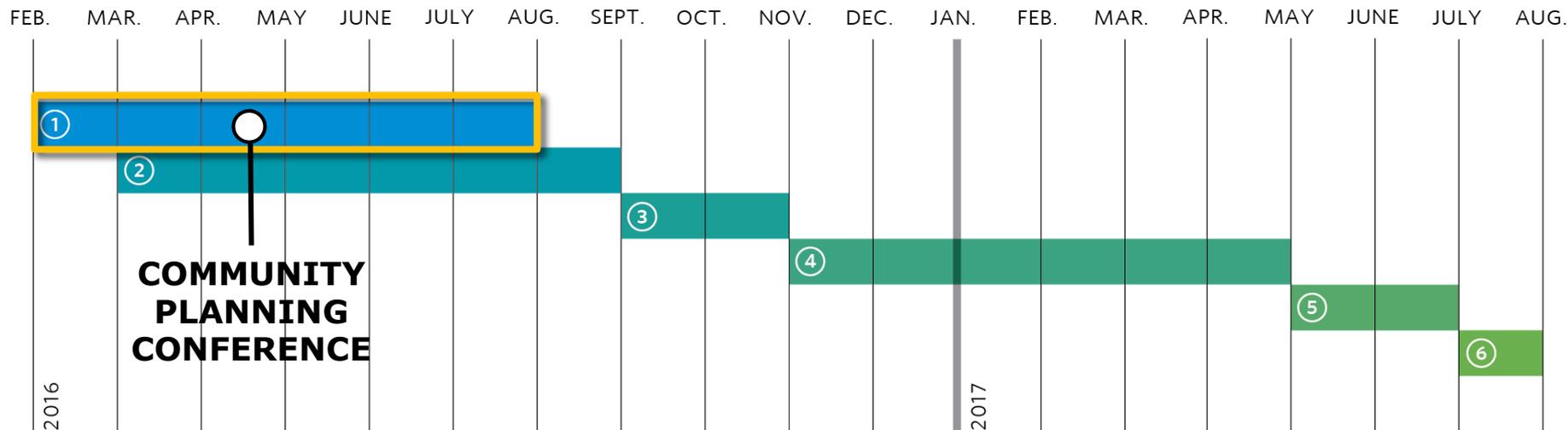


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North Lawndale Neighborhood Plan Planning Process



1. Project initiation & community outreach

2. Existing conditions analysis

3. Visioning & key recommendations

5. Approval

4. Plan development

6. Implementation

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North Lawndale Neighborhood Plan Planning Process

- **Phase 1: Listening**
- **Phase 2: Existing Conditions**
- **Phase 3: Visioning**
- **Phase 4: Plan Making**
- **Phase 5: Approval**
- **Phase 6: Implementation**



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CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES WORKSHOP

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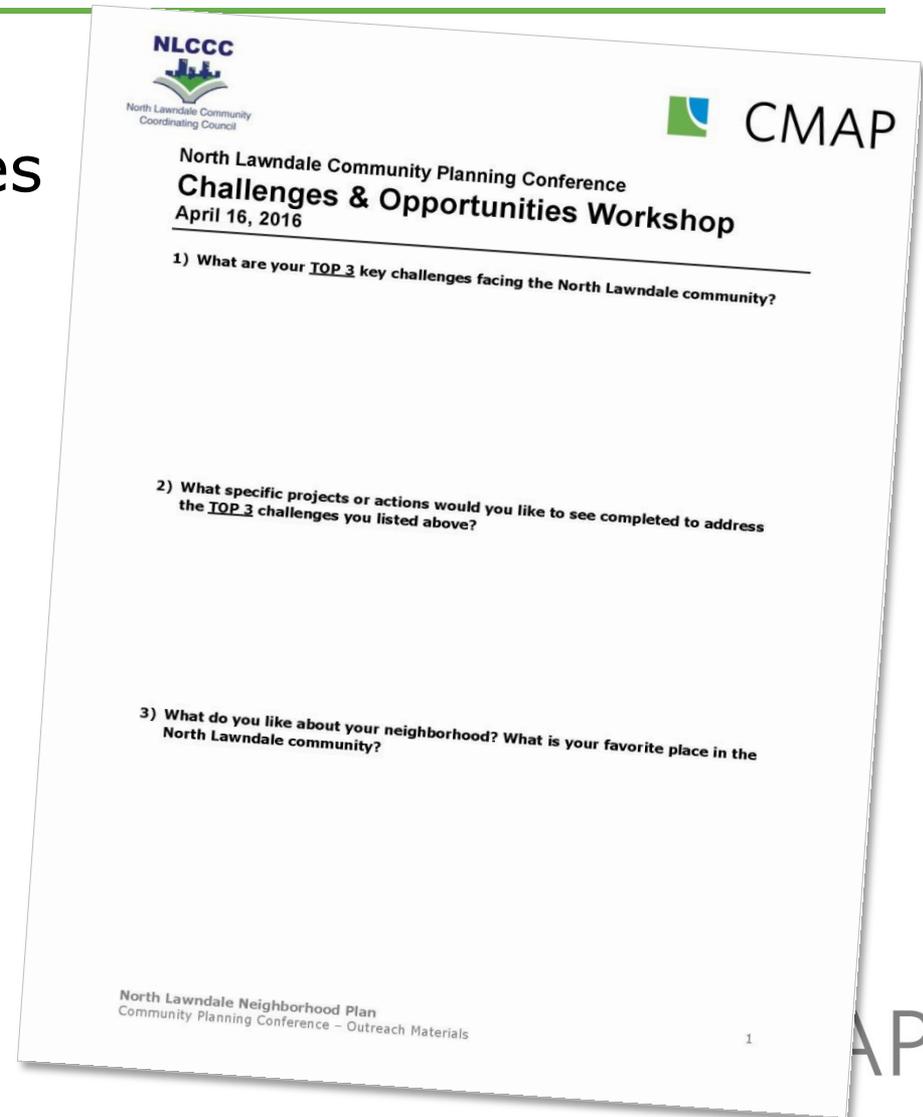


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Challenges & Opportunities Workshop

Workshop Exercise

- **Question 1:**
Identify top challenges
25 Minutes
- **Question 2:**
Identify projects to
address challenges
25 Minutes
- **Question 3:**
Identify assets to
preserve
15 Minutes



Challenges & Opportunities Workshop

How the Workshop will Work

- Small Group Table Discussions
- Worksheets
- Table Facilitators/Note Takers
- Theme Team
- Keypad Polling
- Discussion
- Repeat!

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Challenges & Opportunities Workshop

Ground Rules

- No Personal Attacks
- Seek common ground & understanding
- All ideas are valid
- Respect
- Speak honestly
- Stay open
- Have Fun!

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Warm-up Questions:
WHO IS HERE TODAY?



Challenges & Assets Workshop

Using Keypad Polling

- Firmly press the button of your choice (A-J)
- When the light turns **green**, your vote has been received
- Votes are anonymous
- If you make a mistake or change your mind, vote again, as long as the polling is open
- Your last vote is the vote that counts
- No need to press “Go”



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Who's Here Today

Have you ever lied to your mother?

10% **A.** Never

20% **B.** Once or twice

31% **C.** Several times

39% **D.** Too many to count

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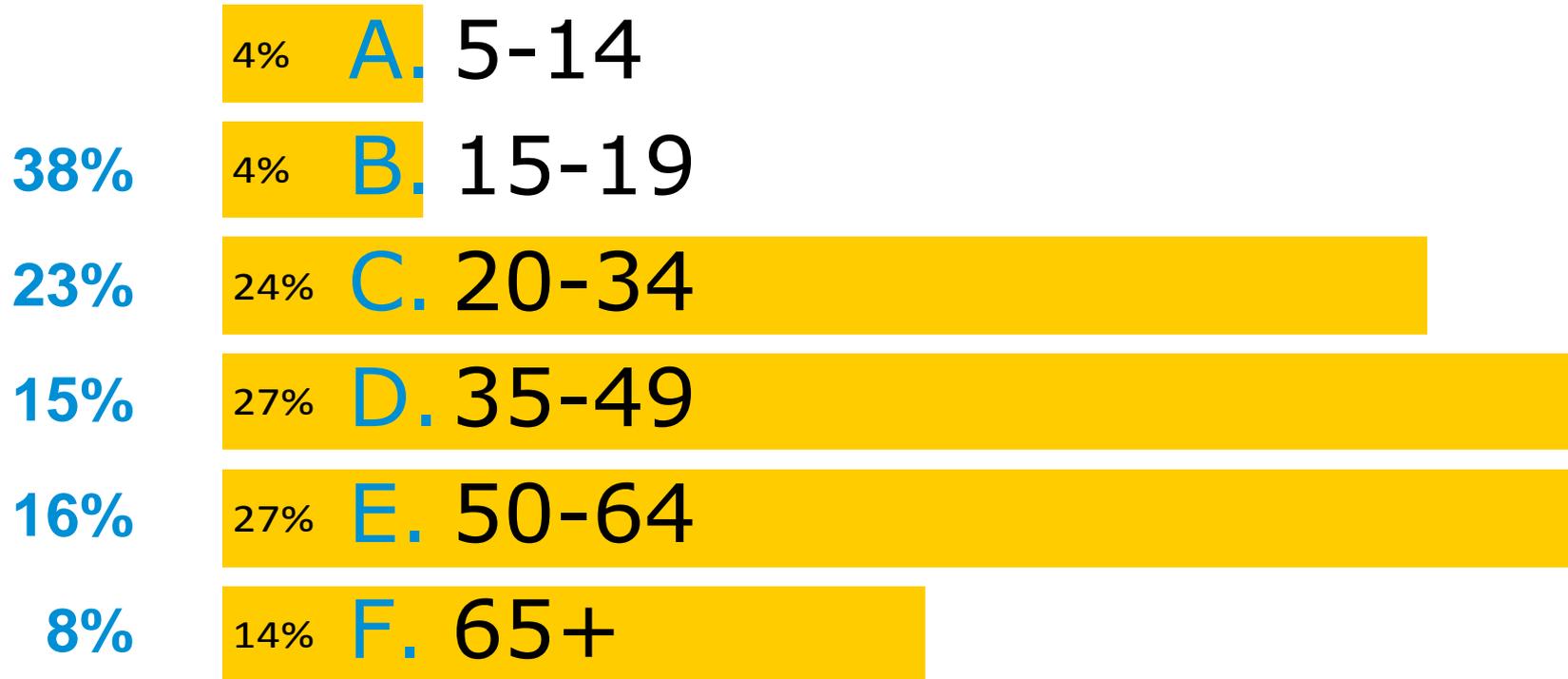
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Who's Here Today

How old are you?

Census



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Who's Here Today

What is your gender?

Census

44%

33% **A.** Male

56%

67% **B.** Female

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Who's Here Today

What is your ethnicity?

Census

91%

61% **A.** African American/Black

6%

5% **B.** Hispanic/Latino

0.2%

2% **C.** Asian/Pacific Islander

2%

26% **D.** White

1%

6% **E.** Other

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Who's Here Today

What is your connection to North Lawndale?

33% **A.** Live Here

25% **B.** Work Here

20% **C.** Live & Work Here

8% **D.** Visit Here

14% **E.** Other

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Who's Here Today

How did you hear about today?

21% **A.** Email

7% **B.** Posters in the community

4% **C.** Postcard handed to me

10% **D.** Facebook/Twitter

0% **E.** CAN TV

33% **F.** Friends/Family/Colleagues

17% **G.** Neighborhood Group/Church

8% **H.** Other



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Question 1:

What are the KEY CHALLENGES Facing the
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What are the KEY CHALLENGES Facing the
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10 MINUTES LEFT!



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Question 1:

What are the KEY CHALLENGES Facing the
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5 MINUTES LEFT!



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Question 1:

What are the KEY CHALLENGES Facing the
North Lawndale community?



1. What are the Top 3 Challenges facing North Lawndale?

14% A. Vacant Lots/Buildings – Investment/Safety

10% B. Lack of Youth Opportunities

17% C. Economic Dev. – Unemployment/Training

16% D. Public Safety – Violence/Gangs

8% E. Schools – Educational Opportunities

10% F. Food Deserts/Lack of Retail

5% G. Housing Affordability

6% H. Poor Neighborhood Perception

11% I. Lack of Jobs

2% J. Other



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Question 2:

What SPECIFIC PROJECTS OR ACTIONS would you like to see completed to address North Lawndale's challenges?





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10 MINUTES LEFT!





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5 MINUTES LEFT!



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Question 2:

What SPECIFIC PROJECTS OR ACTIONS would you like to see completed to address North Lawndale's challenges?



2a. What are the Top 3 Projects/Actions for addressing Economic Development in North Lawndale?

- 14% A. Corp. investment (e.g. Wholefoods-Englewood)
- 19% B. Local trades training programs
- 15% C. Tax incentives to hire/train local residents
- 17% D. Small business training/resources – Local Ownership
- 20% E. Reactivating vacant properties (e.g. business incubator)
- 4% F. Joint marketing of community businesses
- 6% G. Encourage pop-up shops
- 6% H. Chamber of Commerce involvement/Business Coord.

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2b. What are the Top 3 Projects/Actions for addressing Vacant Lots/Bldgs. in North Lawndale?

7% A. Grants for demolition

14% B. Community gardens on vacant lots

18% C. Program for buying lots by neighbors

7% D. Create a land trust

9% E. Neighborhood art projects

5% F. Expand land banking

14% G. Hold landlords accountable/enforcement

5% H. Adopt-a-Lot Cleanup

21% I. Rehab quality housing

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Question 3:
What do you LIKE MOST about
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Question 3:
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Question 3:
What do you LIKE MOST about
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Question 3:
What do you LIKE MOST about
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3. What do you like most about North Lawndale?

1. **Central Location**
2. **Great Parks**
3. **K Town**
4. **Beautiful Homes**
5. **Homan Square/Nichols Tower**
6. **YMCA**
7. **DRW College Prep!**
8. **Transportation Access**
9. **Great Elected Officials**
10. **Human Capital (Great People!)**
11. **Douglas Park/Boulevards**
12. **NLCCC**
13. **Community Gardens**
14. **Historic Character**
15. **Student Programs**
16. **Church Community**
17. **Inclusive Community**
18. **Public Library**

Did you learn anything new today?

7% **A.** Nothing new

23% **B.** A few new things

32% **C.** Quite a bit

39% **D.** A lot

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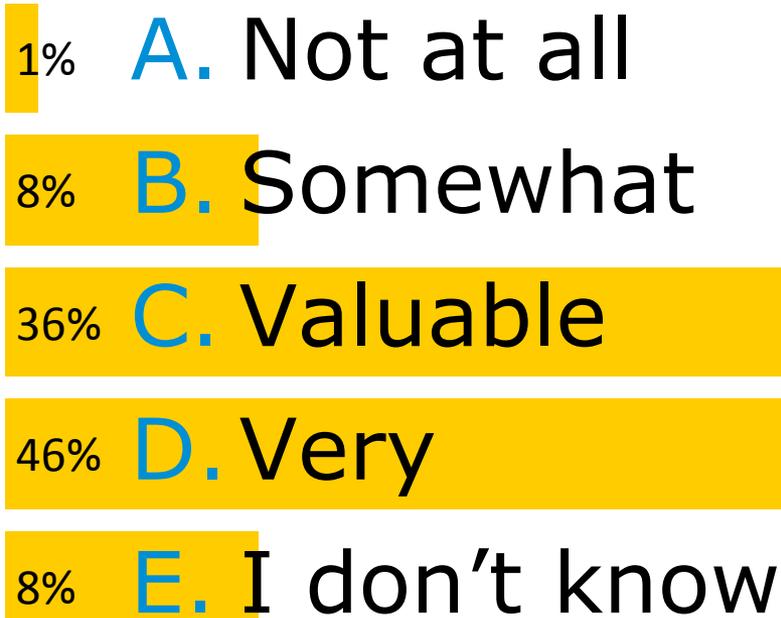


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How valuable was today's workshop for planning for North Lawndale's future?



How satisfied are you with today's workshop?

1% **A.** Not at all satisfied

14% **B.** Somewhat satisfied

40% **C.** Satisfied

46% **D.** Very satisfied

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North Lawndale Neighborhood Plan

Next Steps

- On-line Engagement
<http://northlawndale.metroquest.com>
- Collect Community & Business Surveys
- Synthesize Outreach Findings & Publish Existing Conditions Report
- Community Visioning (“Where do we want to go?”)
- Develop preliminary recommendations
- Write the Plan
- Review, Revise & Adopt Plan



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Afternoon Session – Opening Remarks

ALDERMAN MICHAEL SCOTT, JR.

CONGRESSMAN DANNY K. DAVIS

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DRW HONORS CHOIR



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